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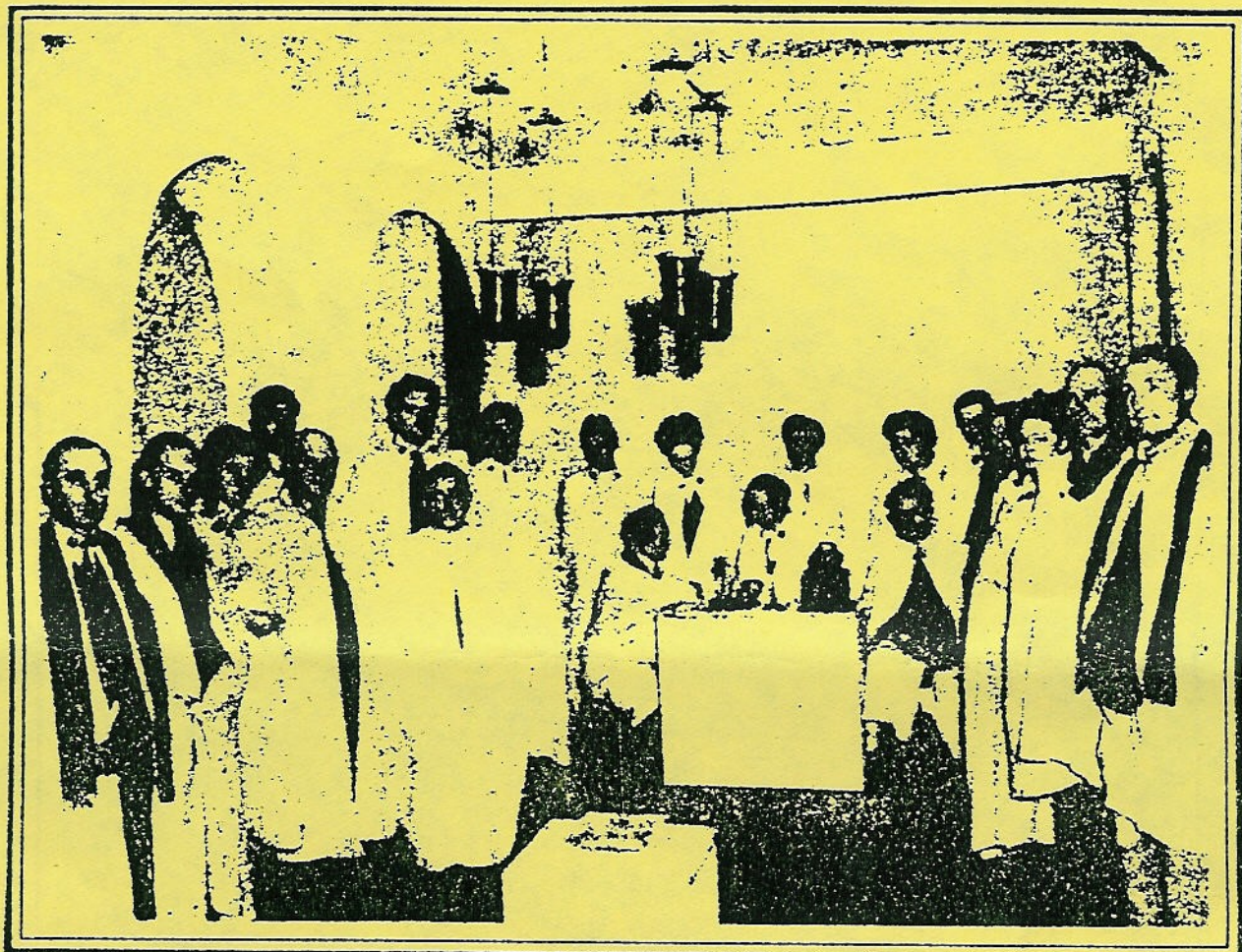
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DEVOTED TO THE ADVANCEMENT AND MYSTICAL ENLIGHTENMENT OF MAN





A few of the many dignitaries representing the authentic esoteric societies of the world, assembled in the F.U.D.O.S.I. Temple, after an official conclave in Brussels, Belgium.

Quelques-uns des plusieurs dignitaires représentant les sociétés esotériques du monde, réunis dans le Temple de la F.U.D.O.S.I., après un Conclave officiel à Bruxelles, Belgique.

Varios de los muchos dignatarios que representaron a las sociedades esotéricas auténticas del mundo, reunidos en el Templo de F.U.D.O.S.I., después de un cónclave oficial en Bruselas, Bélgica.



Dear Companions:

In our last Liber we gave the speech of Sâr Hiéronymus to the fourth session of the F.U.D.O.S.I., which was held at Brussels, Belgium, in August, 1939. We now come to the fifth session of the F.U.D.O.S.I. which was also held in Brussels, July 21-22, 1946. It was the first session to take place after World War II. We begin with the speech made to the assembly by Sâr Hiéronymus, Emperor of Europe:

SAR HIERONYMUS' OPENING ADDRESS  
Message Of The Emperor  
Of Europe

"In opening this Convention which, once more, brings together the Representatives of all the Initiatic Order of the world associated with the F.U.D.O.S.I., I want to express my fraternal greetings and to bid welcome to all the Initiates of all the Orders, and I pray the Almighty to grant His blessings unto this Assembly and to spread on all of us His profound Wisdom and Cosmic Light.

"First of all, I want to associate to this Convention, in the Invisible, those who, since our last Convention, have been called to Eternal Peace by the Sovereign Master of all things.

"Sâr Ludovicus, F.°. Colonel Fitau, Consul in Chile, Engineer, Grand Master of the Order of Hermes for Chile, Delegate of the F.U.D.O.S.I. and member of the Supreme Council, who died in Brussels at the end of October 1939.

"Sâr Pascal, F.°. Hunin, F.R.C., formerly Archon of the Foreign Relations of the Order of Hermes, arrested by the Gestapo at Cherbourg (France), condemned to deportation and conveyed to the Camp of Neuengam where he died in February 1945.

"Sâr Ignis, F.°. Nico Wolff, general Scribe of Hermes for Belgium, arrested by the enemy on March 5, 1943, condemned to deportation and sent to the Camp of Flossenbug and murdered on April 22, 1945, after suffering incredible tortures.

"Sâr Apollonius, F.R.C., F.°. Rochat de l'Abbaye, Grand Master of the Rose+Croix Universitaire in France, who died in Paris in August 1944.

"Sâr Eques Rosae Caritatis, F.°. Georges Lagrèze, Grand Inspector of the F.U.D.O.S.I. who died in Angers (France) in April 1946.

"And finally, the Emperor of the F.U.D.O.S.I., the Very Illustrious F.°. Augustine Chaboseau, Grand Master of the Traditional Martinist Order, who died in Paris, on January 2, 1946.

"Let us collect ourselves, my Brothers, and pray the Lord to open to our departed brothers the Kingdom of Glory and Light.

"After eight long years the Almighty has granted unto us the privilege of meeting again so as to proceed with the great plan of renovation of Humankind which He has entrusted unto us as a special mission, this great plan for the protection and harmony of spiritual values which is the Divine Plan.

"Eight years ago we were assembled together in the secrecy of this Temple, the world was living in anxiety; and the Message which was conveyed to you had been received as an inspiration from on High and announced the imminence of war and practically the complete destruction of Europe.

"As far back as 1934, it was in view of this impending calamity already threatening Humankind that the Leaders of our Orders had deemed it absolutely necessary to constitute again a selected body of Initiates, like unto those of ancient times, to combat materialism and selfishness in all their [the following words in italics are "guesses" -- the document we have before us is very badly worn and illegible at this point] *manifold (?) to save the occidental civilization and to collaborate in the Divine and Universal Work of Spiritual Restoration.*

"The impending peril soon was becoming more definite and it was during the 1939 Convention that we brought a message of ominous prophecies, under God's inspiration.

"The frightful storm that was to rage upon old Europe, and in fact upon the whole world, had been disclosed to us in a flash of Divine Light. Soon the tremendous cataclysm was going to burst upon the world. In the visible, as well as in the Invisible, the violence of the Black Forces, of which Nazism was the most inhuman expression, struck the splendid cities of Europe, threatening to annihilate its living civilizations; those Satanic Forces shook the structure of spiritual values to its very foundations. But in the Sacred Orders of the F.U.D.O.S.I. in Europe, and more particularly the Rose+Croix, Hermes and the Martinist Order, proceeded with their mission, bringing to a disabled world the hope of a new dawn, and of the possibilities of a spiritual restoration, even in case of the dreaded victory of the Forces of Darkness.

"Following the inscrutable purposes of the Divine Will, which had been communicated unto us in the Invisible, we persevered to meet together and to work, though our Orders had been condemned and laid under an interdict by the occupying authorities, and also though the F.U.D.O.S.I. was considered as the most dangerous of all Orders by the enemy who wrongly regarded it as a Masonic organization. All the Orders and particularly Hermes, carried on their work, holding regular meetings and, under the leadership of our Brother Sâr Elgim, all the members went on with their sacred work. New initiations were granted in the utmost secrecy, but with a courageous and remarkable tenaciousness. Seven times Brother Sâr Elgim was in trouble with the Gestapo; they searched through his home; he was arrested several

times, released provisionally and then threatened in his very life, in August 1944; he received in time a providential warning and thus was able to escape from his enemies.

"The Emperor himself worked covertly because he felt that he was constantly spied upon and threatened. He organized secret meetings, granted R+C Initiations, received Belgian and French Brothers, giving them enlightenments upon the great and sacred (Missions?) of the Orders, at that time and for the (?). [the word here looks like future].

"Sâr Agni was then trusted with the secret plans of the Emperor and was the link between the Emperor and the other Brothers. With Fr. Sâr Lampas he worked for the Resistance and both of them had the same heroic behavior; many of the ritualistic meetings were held in his house in Huy.

"All of them, the Emperor and the Brothers, were accomplishing secretly, against strict interdictions, and in spite of wild threats, a great work of spiritual Resistance, as dangerous but also as helpful as the civilian Resistance.

"Our Brothers of Belgium, of France, of Poland, have led an heroic, dangerous and underground struggle, without hope of any compensation, without any expectation whatever of thankfulness, honors or wealth, from the world, and they have worked unselfishly for the greater Glory of Christ, preparing the way for the advent of His Kingdom; in this lay their only reward. "Non nobis, non nobis Domine, sed nomini tuo Dei gloriam". This has always been the motto of the true R+C.

"They even prepared the organizations of a new Order, that of the Knights Templars, whose historical section is represented at this Convention.

"The Emperor of Europe, receiving inspiration from the Invisible, had established a plan of material and moral restoration of the world. He addressed the text of this plan, translated into English, to President Roosevelt; it would have permitted the rehabilitation of Europe, in conditions of prosperity and brotherly understanding, but, through the selfishness of certain opposed nations that did not authorize it, it was not taken into consideration.

"The Emperor, Ralph Lewis, or Sâr Validivar, during the last month of March, asked us to enter into a union of prayers, and in a wonderful, towering flight, the prayers of two continents rose up to the Almighty God.

"At that time a new war was imperiling the world again, and if the danger has been removed it is through the spiritual intervention of the R+C which has been able to win this sublime grace from the Sovereign Master of all things.

"In fact, war, as yet, is not finished, we are having the same

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trials, passing through hard experiences just as during the war, and it is perhaps the most difficult period of human history. It is in such hours of darkness, of crisis, that the Divine Intelligence and Will has trusted again His selected ones, His prophets or His Magi, the mission of showing the way of salvation to men, and of lighting up again on the Holy Mountain the resplendent flame of the Holy Spirit.

"Discord is preying upon the world, blinded by the darkness of hatred and selfishness, and mankind is awaiting the coming of God's Invisible Messengers, to be reborn into Light.

"It is to accomplish this great work that we want to prepare, with the Emperor for America, a plan of spiritual action for the spreading of Light into the old world.

"This plan includes the protection and diffusion of spiritual and Christian culture which prepares the way for the reconciliation and union of all God's children.

"The R+C is not a religion which claims to substitute for those of any of its followers, it is a great Brotherhood of Love, and Spiritual science; it brings to them unknown powers and an increase in the great Light of Christ. In its unfoldment it is free from political contentions and strife, but it offers to the great universality of nations a deep reason of reconciliation. In this feeling of brotherhood and in this spiritual uplifting, in this progressive development lies the principle of its exoteric action.

"If, following a new world war morally as well as materially more destructive than previous ones, the threat and decay of downfall would be cast upon the world in view of the materialism and selfishness of too great a number of men, the F.U.D.O.S.I. would remain the supreme recourse and the last hope of moral and spiritual restoration of the Universe.

"This is why we must start at once this work of intensive spreading and diffusion into the world and particularly into the old continent. In this way we cannot but approve of the plan which has been elaborated by our Very Illustrious Brother, Emperor of North and South America, Ralph M. Lewis, for the spreading of teachings.

"Our duty is dictated to us by the Almighty, and it is because the time for spreading the lost truth upon the world has come that we want to kindle the Light upon the mountains, and like unto the time of ancient Crusades, we start with the sacred cry: "God wants it"!

"Taking up again the words of the Martinist Message, we may repeat this call for the Initiatic Crusade.

"In such an upset period, when the selfishness of individuals, of nations and of races is increasing more and more, at this crucial point in the cycle of civilization, to save humankind from the abyss of barbarism, of brutality and of frightful cruelty to which it is rushing madly, noble and generous souls are greatly needed, that they

may be infused with the true wisdom and science, inspired with the spirit of the purest and most Christian Love, capable of facing martyrdom fearlessly and to suffer it for the of the sacred mission to which they have pledged themselves.

"Against the new storm that is preparing itself in the dark horizon of a social world always stressed with demoniacal forces, we must oppose our utmost strength for the realization of a great Christian and Initiatic Ideal made of Goodness, of Beauty and eternal Science, Wisdom and Justice.

"The spiritual harvest will be wonderful. The Divine Harvester may come later on to appraise our work.

"This is what we must do and we will do it against the whole world, for the Kingdom of the Holy Spirit must prevail on this destitute earth as well as in the highest Heaven.

"Pitfalls and treason will be but a powerful stimulus which will prompt us to do better still so as to show to the world the sublime character and the high teachings of Him who died on the Cross, on the Calvary, and of Whom we must be the valiant, tireless and faithful apostles.

"And thus it is, before the Divine sign of the Cross and the sacred sign of the Mystical Rose, that we shall start for the spiritual conquest of the world; we shall be the vanguard of the celestial armies which will themselves precede the returning of the living Christ. We shall prepare His Kingdom and we shall be able to say: "O Lord, You may come: Your Kingdom is waiting for You"!

"In the meantime, in the secrecy of our Temples, like unto the early Christians in the catacombs, we shall continue our highly mystical and sacred work of illumination, spiritual uplifting and sanctification.

"We carry on this sublime Tradition of the Christian Magic, and with the help of the Invisible Powers of Light, delving deeper and deeper into the wonderful secrets which we have inherited from the Great Masters of Illumination of ancient times who have preceded us on the way of Initiation, of the Sublime Path of Christ, towards the effulgent Light of the Holy Spirit. We shall spread on the world their forgotten teachings, and because the world yielding to the Forces of Darkness and lost in the abyss of materialism and selfishness has turned aside from the Holy Scriptures of which it recognizes no more the light and the power, we shall bring to a selected few the invisible strength and the transcendent understanding of their Mysteries.

"Before God we pledge ourselves to realize this plan of action and to realize it without delay, for there is urgency and we must hurry. The time of great tribulations announced in the Revelation is that in which we are now living. The Lamb has already opened the first three seals. The day is now close by when we shall stand before the throne of the Lamb in our white robes, and the Angel will mark us on the

forehead like unto God's other servants and because we shall have accomplished on earth the Will of the Father, this ineffable Will which He reveals only to saints and to Magi, we shall rule with Christ during the Profound Peace era which St. John's Revelation promised the world."

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Before we go too much further, let us record here the thoughts of Dr. Jean Mallinger (Sâr Elgim), Grand Chancellor of the F.U.D.O.S.I., on this conclave:

"Sunday, the 21st of July, 1946, marked an epoch in the worldly History of Initiation.

"It was indeed at this moment that the regular Initiates of the European and American continent, gathering in a solemn Congress after seven years of separation, of war and dire trials, were at last able to celebrate together the joys of brotherly union and the privileges of the closest collaboration between all the authentic Initiatic Orders.

"This important meeting was held in Brussels, capital of Belgium, which, for the last twelve years, has been the occult seat of all the esoteric activities of the continent.

"If, according to Bruck's law, civilization was carried on and enhanced from one nation to the other, starting from the East to go Westward, it is also a fact that the F.U.D.O.S.I. has discovered a law that is just as accurate and exact as Bruck's law and which states that "the center of Initiation is shifting and is constantly going Northward".

"From the Nile to Eleusis, from Crotona to Roma, from Toulouse to Lyon and Paris, the secret Initiation has now moved on to Brussels, which saw the birth of the F.U.D.O.S.I. and has now seen its regeneration and renovation, with increased vitality.

"In the secret Temple of Brussels, the Delegates of all the regular and authentic Orders gathered in a solemn International Convention, fervently and reverently, for the fifth time since the foundation of the organization, far from the profane activities of the multitude, and well protected against the political turmoils of the day. Cosmic blessings were granted unto their works.

#### The History of the F.U.D.O.S.I.

"Already in 1908, the famous Dr. Encausse, who is better known under his mystical name of Papus, tried to gather in a vast Initiatic Federation all the authentic and regular Orders who gave to their followers and adepts the traditional teachings of the (?). (word illegible).

"He held in Paris a great Congress where all the Spiritualistic Rites had been invited.



"But his Federation was unable to organize and carry on such a work. In 1914 began the first World War. Papus was mobilized as a military doctor and suddenly passed through transition in 1916.

"In 1930, the European Emperor of the Rose+Croix, Sâr Hiéronymus, Sâr Peladan's disciple, deemed it advisable to take up again this idea and to harmoniously federate all the initiatique movements. He, therefore, opened extensive negotiations with the Representatives of several Orders and Societies and, on the 8th of August, 1934, he successfully and officially opened the first International Convention of the new Federation, in which fourteen Orders or Societies were duly represented.

"Other confidential Conventions were held in Brussels in 1936 and 1939 and in Paris in 1937.

"The dreadful war which we have just passed through kept the Orders and Societies from all active work or cooperation ever since (?) [date indistinct but it is probably 1939], and it is only after overcoming most unusual obstacles and difficulties, and through secret means, that some contact was maintained between America and Europe during the long and hard years of human upheaval and the enslaving of Europe.

"But in spite of cruel persecutions, of arrests, of the Gestapo's questionings, of police raids and searches, the sacred and initiatique work never stopped and the flambeau regularly passed on from hand to hand, at times in most unexpected and inaccessible places, such as church towers and ancient crypts.

"It was, therefore, with great joy that, thanks to the valuable friendship between all the leaders of the Federation, the various Orders were able to meet again in a fraternal gathering and to organize their work.

#### The Aims and Purposes of the F.U.D.O.S.I.

"Some persons, whose minds have not as yet received sufficient light, have been wondering why it was necessary to gather in a Universal Federation the Initiatique Orders and Societies, which in their own field of work, enjoy the most absolute and complete freedom and perfect (?) [could be autonomy] and independence. To this query we may reply that, more than in anything else, it is in the Initiatique work that the greatest vigilance is indispensable and that a strict and active international discipline must be exercised.

"We must acknowledge and regret, that there exist many false prophets and a number of so-called Initiates who use, for selfish and tyrannical purposes of domination, the pretext of initiation to thrust themselves on, and exploit, gullible and sincere persons. It was high time to warn the public against these false leaders and against noxious doctrines which they taught to trusting souls.

"In each country, each authentic and regular Order knows its imitators and such false prophets. It was necessary to watch these

clandestine movements, to expose these imposters or instruments of hidden and unavowed forces, in all countries, wherever they be operating, and thus avoid any confusion between the regular and authentic Orders and false organizations that are harmful or that give teachings that have nothing to do with the Universal Tradition and Esotericism.

"And also it was necessary that the authentic Orders be careful in selecting their members and their officers and in maintaining their adepts and students on the right path of the true doctrines, obliging them to follow a strict line of discipline, rational, sincere and conscientious work, so as to avoid radical teachings and heterodoxy.

"This immense work which was intended to protect the Orders against their inner and outer enemies has been successfully carried on by the F.U.D.O.S.I. and is now going on. ..."

The article went on to explain the symbolism of the F.U.D.O.S.I. emblem and concluded under the subheading The Works of the 1946 Convention, which told of the appointment of a Council of Regency to manage Martinist affairs since Grand Master Augustin Chaboseau had passed on. (Both of these topics have been covered earlier). The remaining particulars are as follows:

"All authentic Orders were represented at the last Convention held in Brussels.

"A very precise Liturgy was employed when the Emperors, who enhanced by their presence the whole ceremony, were received with honour and dignity.

"Successively, Sâr Hiéronymus (Emperor of Europe), Sâr Gregorius, and Sâr Validivar (Emperor of AMORC) delivered inspired messages of Peace Profound and bright hope to the attendants.

"They unanimously agreed that, after the great trials and sufferings imposed on humankind during the World War, all Initiates, in all countries, must unite their efforts so as to lead men toward better accomplishments and also toward a "better sheepfold".

"On the second day, the delegates to the International Supreme Council of the F.U.D.O.S.I. held a secret and confidential meeting with a view to solving a few pending questions."

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After this 1946 Convent, two further meetings of the Federation took place, in September 1947 in Paris and in January 1949 in Brussels. What happened after that can only be described as a tragedy:

Differences in points of view began to become accentuated amongst the various people in charge, particularly of Hiéronymus' Rose+Croix Universelle and Ralph Lewis' AMORC. In 1946, the European leaders of the FUDOSI had approved the plan made out by Ralph Lewis to propagate the teachings of AMORC by correspondence, but the majority of the European dignitaries were, on the other hand, extremely reticent about the way in which AMORC was recruiting its members, often by press advertisements, as is still the case today.

A rift had been opened which continued to widen.

AMORC began to introduce various doctrinal deviations; Hiéronymus, for his part, did not approve of cremation, which was being recommended by AMORC to its members. AMORC would not stop its propaganda methods, etc. etc..... Ralph Lewis then released a bomb-shell: He claimed that one of the officers of the Federation (whose name, to the best of our knowledge, has never been brought to light) expressed discontentment over the fact that AMORC accepted black members! The upshot of all this was that a meeting for dissolution was organized in Brussels on August 14, 1951, of which Ralph Lewis' account is as follows:

"After a discussion on the immediate questions and its past activities (of the FUDOSI), a declaration was drawn up. It explained what had been achieved by the F.U.D.O.S.I. and the need for it to be disbanded.

"The document ended in this way:

- 1) The F.U.D.O.S.I. is being disbanded today, August 14, 1951.
- 2) Each of the affiliated movements will retain its autonomy and its initiatic independence, without being linked in any way to the other order.
- 3) None of the orders previously affiliated to the F.U.D.O.S.I. will be authorized to reform it without a written agreement signed by the founders, nor may they derive any kind of benefit from it in the future.
- 4) This declaration will be published by the various orders in their own publications, without any commentary.

Brussels, 14 August 1951.

The three signatories of the text were Emile Dantine, Ralph Lewis and Jean Mallinger.

And thus ended the organization which had an opportunity to achieve unspeakable glory for humankind..

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# F. U. D. O. S. I.

Federatio Universalis Dirigens Ordines Societatesque Initiationis



PAX HOMINIBUS IN Æ VOLUNTATIS... SALUTEM NOSTRAM IN LUCE VERITATIS

Cathedra Fratris Magni Cancellarii.

Valle Bruxellense (Belgia)  
die XIVa. Aug. Veræ Lucis  
MCMLI.

Libri Matricularis  
Numerus : ultimus.

bus  
Fratri Carissimo: omnium Ordinum

## DECLARATION.

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Considering that, on August 14th. of 1934, the delegates of various Initiatic Orders and Societies decided to create an Universal Federation of Initiatic Orders and Societies (F. U. D. O. S. I.);

Considering that said Federation had an helpful activity, grouped some isolated Initiatic movements, exposed some impostors of the Initiatic domain and organized the international Initiatic work;

Considering that the Federation granted to each one of its affiliated members complete independence with regard to its administrative and doctrinal work;

Considering that it appeared, in the long run, and particularly at a recent date, that some of the affiliated Orders were teaching different doctrines in the same country (for instance: for, or against cremation); that their conceptions of true Initiation and its secrecy appeared contradictory to, or incompatible with, each other; that it is impossible to conciliate these conceptions and avoid doctrinal or historical debates between the Orders;

Considering that, in the higher interest of Initiation, it is not desirable to bring these disagreements before public opinion - which is incompetent in such matters - or to transform the Federation into a Law-Court of Initiation; that it is preferable to admit loyally and in a friendly manner that it is impossible to unify or harmonise opposite teachings; the representative of the Orders who freely created the Federation in Brussels, in 1934, decide to freely dissolve it now;

### FOR THESE REASONS:

It is unanimously decided that:

1. - The FUDOSI is dissolved on this day, 14th. of August 1951;
2. - Each and every one of the affiliated movements will maintain its initiatic autonomy and independence, without being bound in whatsoever manner to the other Orders;
3. - None of the Orders previously affiliated to the FUDOSI will be allowed to reconstitute it without a written agreement signed by the Orders' founders, or may take advantage of it in the future;
4. - The present declaration will be published by the various Orders in their own publications without any commentary. - Brussels, the 14th. of August 1951






What became of the Societies and Orders of the FUDOSI?

After the 1951 breakdown, each order regained its autonomy. Of all the former fraternities of the FUDOSI, AMORC is incontestably the most active nowadays.

The Traditional Martinist Order still exists in the U.S.A. under the patronage of AMORC, and in France.

The Ordre Martiniste et Synarchique is active in several countries and continues to expand.

After the passing of Emperor Hiéronymus into the eternal Orient in 1969, the Ordre de la Rose-Croix Universelle, and the Ordre de la Rose-Croix Universitaire do not appear to have survived.

The Ordre Pythagoricien (or Ordre d'Hermès) is active in Germany, Great Britain and the U.S.A. and perhaps elsewhere as well.

The Universal Gnostic Church continues but became fragmented because some of the Bishops did not wish to recognize a particular Patriarch; there are now several lines of the original Church functioning in different countries under various names. One branch, the *Ecclesia Gnostica Apostolica Universalis* is (1988) operating in New York under Bishop Tau Gregorious, in Barbados under Bishop Tau Thomas and in England under Bishop Tau Jean.

The Kabalistic Order of the Rose-Croix is presently associated with the Masonic Rite of Memphis-Misraim under Grand Master Gérard Kloppel.

*Any information on the survival of the other fraternities will be welcome.*

Before we close, we must look at at the charge leveled by AMORC, with regard to the FUDOSI officer who, Ralph Lewis claimed, expressed discontentment over AMORC's acceptance of black members.

All the organizations associated with the FUDOSI were (and those surviving still are) devoted to the upliftment of mankind, and not to any particular racial group. Furthermore, the declared plan of action as set forth by Emperor Hiéronymus and several others, at the 1946 conclave, is clear regarding its objectives and contains no provisos.

A senior and well respected French Martinist Grand Master, now living (1988) in another country, wrote to me as follows:

"I would be most surprised if Sâr H. or any of the FUDOSI Officers were in any way racially prejudiced against black people! I myself was unaware of the meaning of the words "colour prejudice" before coming to live in xxx as it was totally foreign to my French upbringing. In his

correspondence to me, Sâr H is quite explicit about the break up of the FUDOSI and blames the "commercialism" of Lewis. You know of course that AMORC went on claiming membership of the FUDOSI for at least ten years after that body was dissolved...Hardly the thing to do if Lewis had broken off because of colour prejudice on the part of the others! But then Lewis always had a peculiar conception of truth.. "

So, in the absence of further facts, one is left simply to wonder.

AMORC has gone on to attack other societies that belonged to the FUDOSI, placing advertisements and announcements in the press claiming, in one, that the T.M.O. "is the only true Martinist Order which exists" and, in another, as recently as 1986, where the Martinist Pentacle was displayed, "...the Traditional Martinist Order is the only body authorized to use the symbol stamped above ..." This is a blatant untruth, for indeed the OM&S holds the legal registration of the Martinist Pentacle in several countries.

I bring this chapter on the F.U.D.O.S.I. to a close at this point, but not necessarily the book. I have in my possession a large file of documents, letters of correspondence and a lot more which can be disclosed at a later time, if merited.

And I leave you to ponder this question: Can any work be started, towards a new Federation, which will pick up where the last one failed, so that the Great Work may be accomplished?

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Dear Companions:

A feeling of sadness comes over me at this time and I suggest this is sufficient for this session.

It is my humble hope that you will now have a clearer recognition of the reason why the I.C.O.M.S. exists and what we are trying to accomplish.

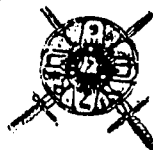
Will you join with us, so that, together, we can launch an unrelentless attack on the forces of ignorance?

If there are any brethren who seek to contact any of the Orders or Societies that were affiliated with the F.U.D.O.S.I. and who are searching for them, we may be able to furnish a lead, in some cases.

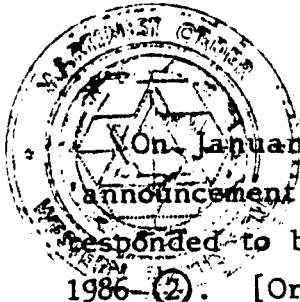
May you ever dwell in the Eternal Light of Divine Wisdom.

Sincerely,

Saccas







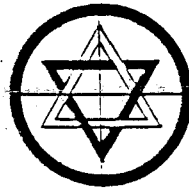
On January 12, 1986 the AMORC/TMO placed an intimidatory 'announcement' in the Sunday Advocate newspaper ①. This was responded to by the Britannic Grand Lodge, OM&S, on February 2, 1986 ②. [Original size of insertion 2 cols x 12" ]. AMORC/TMO placed another announcement What is Martinism on May 11, 1986 ③, [original size 3 cols x 10½"], which omitted more information than it contained and included misinformation. It named the OM&S of Barbados who responded on May 25, 1986 ④.



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## **BE INFORMED!**

### **Traditional Martinist Order**



With world headquarters in San Jose, California, the Traditional Martinist Order is the only body authorized to use the symbol stamped above, and to claim direct initiatique lineage from the founders of this esoteric Order. Its charter and *letters of authority* clearly delineate the chain of authority from Papus to Lewis, the present Sovereign Grand Master.

Other claims to this authority and use of the symbol are in violation of Martinist statutes.

We repeat, we have *original documents* signed by the authorities of the Martinist Order in Europe, and will present them legally if necessary.



## THE MARTINIST ORDER

It has come to our notice that an advertisement was recently published in this newspaper claiming exclusive rights of an organization called the Traditional Martinist Order to the above symbol.

As the unwary reader might be misled by such a preposterous claim, we give here a summary of the History of the Martinist Order which any one interested can easily check by reference to innumerable books on the subject published in the country where it originated.

The Ordre Martiniste was founded around 1890 in Paris, France, by Dr. Gerard Encausse, known as Papus, and his associates. The above symbol was introduced then and has been used ever since by all branches of that Order. At the death of Papus, during the First World War, the Order came under the Grand Mastership of Teder. When Teder died, the Order divided into one branch that imposed a masonic pre-requisite and one which did not. The first became known as the Ordre Martiniste de Lyon as its headquarters had moved to that town, whereas the second was the Ordre Martiniste et Synarchique.

Some years later, A. Chaboseau founded a third Order which he named the Ordre Martiniste Traditionnel. When he died, after the Second World War, the Grand Master designate — his son Jean Chaboseau — could not rally the support of the Supreme Council of this Order, which was then dissolved. This left a certain Mr. Lewis, who had been appointed delegate for "California and the USA" (sic), isolated with the American branch of that dissolved Order. This Mr. Lewis was also the head of a commercial organization known as AMORC Incorporated, which sold correspondence courses in "Mastery of Life" and promised the secrets of the Ancient Egyptians.

The American branch of the Ordre Martiniste Traditionnel, isolated from all Martinist contacts in Europe, took on the name of Traditional Martinist Order and operated under the umbrella of its parent organisation AMORC. Unfortunately for its claims to regularity, it adopted the practices of the parent organization and introduced "Postal initiations" and other inadmissible practices which put it outside the regular Martinist Fraternity. Among other things, it inverted the above symbol in order to make it comply with AMORC symbology and for many years used the inverted pentacle.

From being delegate for California and the USA, Mr. Lewis modestly sees himself as the supreme authority for the whole world! He has re-introduced the TMO in Europe and other countries, in the wake of AMORC.

Meanwhile, of the Regular Martinist Orders, the Ordre Martiniste de Lyon has merged with the Ordre Martiniste de Papus, re-activated by Dr. Ph. Encausse and regularized when the last Grand Master of the Ordre Martiniste de Lyon, H. Dupont, successor of Bricaud and Chevillon,

appointed Dr. Ph. Encausse as his successor before his death. The Ordre Martiniste (de Papus) is active in Europe and has branches in numerous countries, including North and South America.

The Ordre Martiniste et Synarchique has remained active in Europe, Great Britain and Dependencies, Canada and Commonwealth countries in Africa and elsewhere, for which the copyright for the above symbol has been legally registered.

The Britannic Grand Lodge of the Ordre Martiniste et Synarchique has a provincial branch in Barbados which shall presently become sovereign and independent with authority to expand over the whole West Indies. It operates on strictly traditional lines, not being subordinated to any other organization. The Initiations are conferred from person to person, and are free of any charge. The only fees asked of members is their share of expenses incurred by their Lodge. There is no Grand Lodge fees or other contributions. There is no salaried staff. Officers at all levels give their time freely to the Order. In plain words, no one makes a penny or a dime from the Order.

### SO BE TRULY INFORMED!

When you read about an organization claiming to be an authentic and regular MARTINIST ORDER, and before even going into its alleged authority, look for the following points:

- a) Does it offer admission to all and sundry without an interview?
- b) Does it — or did it — practise "postal initiations"?
- c) Does it charge for the initiation — or for a certificate or other such device?
- d) Does its ruling body charge a membership fee, or take a part of the Lodge or Heptad membership fee for its own use?
- e) Is the Lodge Master chosen by the ruling body?
- f) Is the Lodge subordinated to another organization?
- g) Does anyone derive an income, or make a living, out of the Order?

If the answer to but ONE of these questions is YES ... save yourself time and energy and enquire no further! Whatever authority that organisation may claim, it DOES NOT OPERATE AS A REGULAR MARTINIST ORDER.

And even if it should discontinue the practice of "postal initiations," the mere possibility that there has been a past "postal link" in the chain of initiations will prevent any regular Martinist Order from recognising the validity of any of its initiations. By resorting to any of the practices listed above, any Martinist Order, even if originally regular, has forfeited its regularity.

**ORDRE MARTINISTE ET  
SYNARCHIQUE**

Britannic Grand Lodge  
England

# WHAT IS MARTINISM?

What seems a *mystery* is most often due to a lack of knowledge of its true nature. Enlightenment removes the cloak of darkness which most often appeared as the strange, the mysterious. Fortunately there have always been those who sought truth and challenged its suppression.

One of these has been the *Martinist Order*. The following few questions and answers we hope will make the purpose of the Traditional Martinist Order better known:

## *Is Martinism a religion?*

It is nonsectarian; it is not affiliated with any religion, yet it observes moral idealism.

## *How old is it?*

The origin of the Martinist Order is found in the works of Martínez Pasquales, a Spanish mystic and philosopher who founded an esoteric Order in France in 1760. His teachings had been brought from the archives in the Near East.

A young French army officer, Louis-Claude de Saint-Martin, met Martínez Pasquales and became enthralled by his purpose and type of instruction. At the age of twenty-five, in the year 1768, he eventually reached the highest grade in Pasquales' Order. Finally, Louis-Claude de Saint-Martin, in an independent way, evolved a distinctive philosophy in accordance with his own deepening understanding.

## *Was Martinism recognized?*

The writings of Louis-Claude de Saint-Martin were acclaimed as a fruitful contribution to mysticism and philosophy. Subsequently, numerous groups and lodges were formed throughout Europe. Following the death of Saint-Martin and during the storms of the Napoleonic era, the Martinist Order was not very active.

## *Was there, then, an official, authoritative administrative body?*

A Supreme Council of the Martinist Order was formed in 1890 by Dr. Gérard Encausse, who became the first President of the same Supreme Council and under whom the membership grew.

## *How did Martinism survive World War One?*

The war greatly affected the growth and activity of the Martinist Order. Its President perished in heroic service. Many of its members and leaders did not survive.

## *When was it revived?*

In 1931 the Martinist Order was revived principally through the efforts of *Augustin Chaboseau*, one of its survivors. Augustin Chaboseau served as Grand Master and President of the *Supreme Council* until his death on January 2, 1946.

## *Who resumed authority?*

Prior to his death, in August 1934 in Brussels, Belgium, Chaboseau, then Grand Master, with the approval of the *Supreme Council*, conferred upon Dr. H. Spencer Lewis, Emperor of the Rosicrucian Order, AMORC, the title of *Sovereign Legate* of the Martinist Order of North and South America. The title of *Sovereign Legate*, with *charters* that accompanied it, granted Dr. Lewis the *right* to reestablish the *authentic* Martinist Order, under the jurisdiction of the *Sovereign Council* in France.

## *Who is the incumbent authority?*

Dr. H. Spencer Lewis, after laying the foundation for the *authentic* Martinist Order, passed away on August 2, 1939. In the early fall of the same year, the *Supreme Council* of the Martinist Order convened in Brussels, Belgium, with the highest dignitaries in Europe present.

Upon that occasion, the *Supreme Council* voted that Ralph M. Lewis, son of the late Dr. H. Spencer Lewis, be entrusted and empowered to continue the reestablishment of the Martinist Order, and *charters* of authority so signed state that power and right. Ralph Lewis had also been initiated in the Martinist Order in Europe.

## *Is Martinism a commercial activity?*

The Traditional Martinist Order is a *nonprofit*, cultural, and fraternal organization. It functions under the traditional constitutional regulations of the *Sovereign Council* and has the official documents of authorization by the *Supreme Council*,

which may be seen upon request. It thus is separated from pseudo bodies referring to themselves as Martinists but who do not possess such authentic historical documents as those bearing the signature of *Augustin Chaboseau*, President of the *Supreme Council*.

## *What advantages?*

There is much about himself that man must learn. There are many faculties and powers that he can develop. It makes him a better member of society and one having a better understanding of his Cosmic relationship.

The Traditional Martinist Order presents in its temples, its lodges, and otherwise, lectures and discourses explaining these things and their principal value for everyday living. Symbolic initiations, *full* initiations, are given in the temples of the Traditional Martinist Order only, and for which documents of authority are granted. Abridged initiations may be studied at home by members, but they are *not* documented as are *Temple Initiations*.

## *What cost to the member?*

As in most fraternal Orders, there are nominal dues. But the authentic *Traditional Martinist Order* is a *nonprofit* body, and it is so legalized in the numerous countries throughout the world in which it exists.

However, the organization styling itself *Ordre Martiniste et Synarchique* (Barbados, West Indies) boasts that it has no fees for its members. However, it says that its *Libers* (its lessons) cost "within the Caribbean \$4.00" and "outside the Caribbean \$3.50"! There is obviously an apparent inconsistency in those statements.

## *Is there a word of caution for the inquirer?*

The *Traditional Martinist Order*, whose international headquarters and temple are located in Rosicrucian Park, San Jose, California 95191, U.S.A., has Lodges throughout the world. We suggest to the inquirer, where the name *Martinism* is mentioned, to avoid pseudoism by demanding documentation of authority signed by the President of the *Supreme Council* of the past, Augustin Chaboseau.



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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Recently there have been publications in this newspaper by an overseas organization, making statements which are inaccurate and evidently designed to mislead readers and create mischief. For the sake of correctness and accuracy the following advice is given:

L'ORDRE MARTINISTE ET SYNARCHIQUE of Barbados is a fraternal Order operating according to strict Martinist linkage and principles. It does NOT purvey "postal initiations;" it is NOT subordinated to any other organization; it does NOT send out "teachings" by mail; it does NOT advertise; it has NO paid employees; it is NOT involved in any form of commercial activity.

THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF MARTINISTS INCORPORATED is an independent body, legally incorporated under the laws of Barbados as a non-profit institution. It has no salaried Directorate. It exists for the purpose of making information available on the Traditional Esoteric Arcana and history, including Martinism, and this is detailed in booklets called Libers which are issued to student members of the College for their personal and private study. Membership dues are \$4.00 per month, Barbados Currency, within the Caribbean and \$7.00 per month, Barbados currency, outside the Caribbean. Interested persons may contact the College at P.O. Box W31, Worthing, Christ Church.

THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF SAINT-MARTIN is a religious group which conducts healing services every Sunday morning at its premises: The Priory, River Road, St. Michael. These convocations are of interest to all persons who are deeply religious. The services include a meditation and a spiritual agape. They are open to the public.

The foregoing may be easily verified by anyone wishing to know the facts.

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